ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome guests!** If you're visiting us for the first time, we would like to give you a small gift. As you leave the sanctuary, deacons (with name tags on) will be near the doors and have a gift bag ready for you. We are glad you're with us today.

**For Communion** tonight, we will come forward and take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup ("intinction"). There also will be the option of coming forward and receiving a sealed cup and wafer in lieu of intinction.

Lord, Hear Our Prayer: Members in need of prayer include Aubrey Crawford.

**Flowering the Cross:** On Easter Sunday, come decorate the cross on our lawn with flowers from home.

**Easter Monday:** The church office and CDC will be closed Monday, April 1.

**Keenagers' luncheon** will be at noon Tuesday, April 2, in the Jenkins Fellowship Hall. Program speaker will be Mr. Wayne Jackson from Mercy Medicine. Lunch will be barbecued chicken, brown rice, green beans, and dessert. Cost is \$6. We welcome all who are 55 and older to join us for food, fellowship, and fun.

**Mark the date,** April 11, 3:30 p.m. in the Lawson-Rain Chapel to hear author Veronica O'Sullivan discuss her first children's book, *Glory Be*, a story inspired by two magical friendships. For more information, contact Genia Tyson, 843-992-8904, or on Realm.

**WIM Spring Celebration:** All women are invited to attend the Women in Ministry Annual Spring Celebration to be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, in the Christian Life Center with the presentation of the Life Service Award. Guest speaker will be Cookie Cawthon. Dinner and Nursery will be provided with RSVP to the church office, 843-662-2583, by Monday, April 22.

Fellowship of Elders Dinner: A message to all ECO Elders — You should have received an invitation for our Dinner Meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, April 15. We will meet in the Jenkins Fellowship Hall to enjoy a nice meal and time together. Please plan to be there! There are about 80 of us now. Even though we have "rolled off" of the Session, we are all still Elders. It is encouraging to see how you have stayed involved in the church and the community since the end of your term on the Session. Let's gather for food and fellowship with our current Session and our Pastor. If you have your Elder name tag, please wear it. Contact Debbie Jackson, djacksonlawyer@gmail.com; Laura Marechal, marechalel@hotmail.com; or Janet Brand, janet81661@aol.com, with any questions or suggestions. We look forward to seeing you April 15!

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**Save the Date:** On Sunday, May 5, there will be a church picnic following the 11 a.m. Worship Service.

The Cover Art is of The *Maestà*, or *Maestà* of Duccio, which is part of an *altarpiece* composed of many individual paintings commissioned by the city of Siena in 1308 from the artist *Duccio di Buoninsegna*.

## CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 28 Holy Thursday

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday service

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 Good Friday

CDC closed

SATURDAY, MARCH 30 Holy Saturday

11:00 AM Naomi Project Play Rehearsal

# SUNDAY, MARCH 31 Easter Sunday

9:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service

9:30 AM Rehearsal: JFH

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service

1:00 PM Bible Study: Zoom, Room 202

# MONDAY, APRIL 1 Easter Monday

Church office and CDC closed

2:30 PM Prayer Group: Price Classroom

5:30 PM Selah Yoga: CLC

6:30 PM Boy Scouts: Fisher Scout Room

7:00 PM Men's Bible Study: Room 203

# **TUESDAY, APRIL 2**

7:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting

10:45 AM CDC Music: JFH

12:00 PM Just for Women Bible Study: CLC

12:00 PM Keenagers: JFH

1:30 PM Ladies' Ensemble Rehearsal

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

5:00 PM Chancel Handbells Choir Rehearsal

5:00 PM WiM Bible Moderators Meeting: WOC

5:30 PM Youth Group

5:45 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

6:30 PM WiM Coordinating Team

7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## THURSDAY, APRIL 4

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study: Room 202

7:00 AM Youth: Coffee at F.E. Pop's

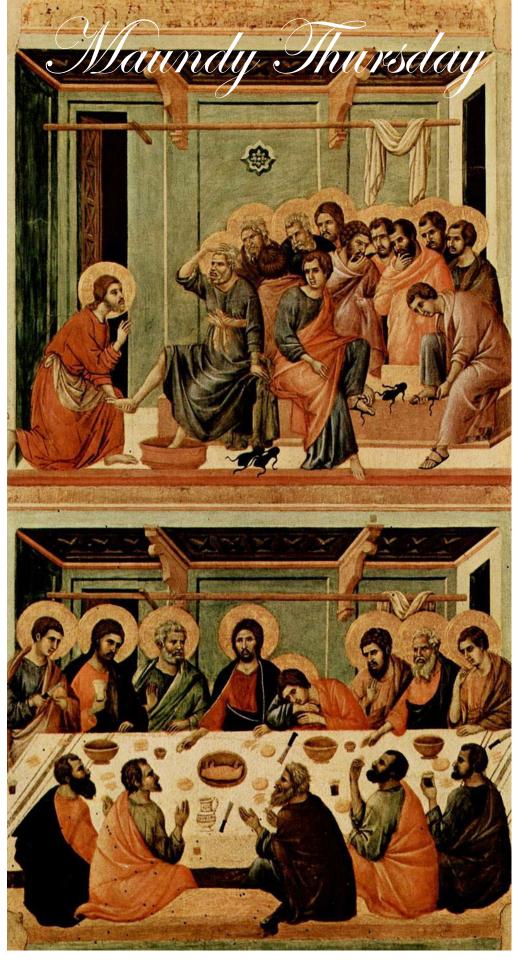
10:30 AM Women's Bible Study: WOC

6:15 PM Girl Scouts Leaders Meeting



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March 28, 2024, 7 p.m.



#### **PRELUDE**

Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee

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#### THE WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34:1-3, 8

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

All: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

All: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

\*HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

No. 284
PASSION CHORALE
Hans Leo Hassler

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was Thine!
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain: Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place;

Look on me with Thy favor, vouchsafe to me Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest Friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee. Amen.
Bernard of Clairvaux

#### **MUSICAL OFFERING**

Pie Jesu

Andrew Lloyd Webber

Merciful Jesus, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.

# THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, we have not loved You with all our heart, mind, and strength. *Silence* 

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

We have not loved our neighbors as You have taught us.

Silence

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

We are indifferent to the saving grace of Your Word and life.

Silence

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Forgive and heal us by Your steadfast love made known to us In the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### **ANTHEM OF REFLECTION**

O Vos Omnes Pablo Casals

O ye people, o ye people that are passing,
O ye people that are passing by and see me, behold and see,
Behold and see and consider if there can be any sorrow as mine,
any sorrow like unto my sorrow? O ye people, is it nothing to you?

Kenneth Sterne

#### PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

#### ANTHEM OF ADORATION

Agnus Dei Morten Lauridsen

Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

John 1:29

**HOMILY** Dr. Bill Cain

# The Power of Remembering

I Corinthians 11:23-26 (Pew Bible pages 1136)

#### ANTHEM OF UNITY

Ubi Caritas Philip WJ Stopford

Ubi caritas et amor Deus ibi est.

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one.

By the love of Christ we have been brought together, let us find in him our gladness and our pleasure; may we love him and revere him, God the living, and in love respect each other with sincere hearts.

So when we as one are gathered all together, let us strive to keep our minds free of division; may there be an end to malice, strife and quarrels, and let Christ our God be dwelling here among us.

May your face thus be our vision, bright in glory, Christ our God, with all the blessed Saints in heaven: sure delight is pure and faultless, joy unbounded, which endures through countless ages world without end.

8th century Latin

#### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

# MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Iesus, Remember Me

Jacques Berthier

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom.

Luke 23:42

#### **BENEDICTION**

### **CHORAL RESPONSE**

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee from The Seven Last Words of Christ Theodore Dubóis

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever, for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.

Christ, we do all adore thee.

#### Dismiss in Silence

\*Congregation is invited to stand

This evening's worship is led by
Dr. Bill Cain, Assistant Pastor
Rev. Mike Fleenor, Congregational Care Assistant
Mrs. Ann Rodgers Chandler, Organist and Director of Music
The Chancel Choir
Christa Godwin, soprano
Emily Lake, soprano
Jennifer Foxworth, violin

**Ubi Caritas** is a hymn of the Western Church, long used as one of the antiphons for the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday. The Gregorian melody was composed sometime between the fourth and tenth centuries, though some scholars believe the text dates from early Christian gatherings. It is usually sung on Maundy Thursday evening at the Lord's Supper.